United Nations E/C.19/2011/L.4

Economic and Social Council

Distr.: Limited
24 May 2011

Original: English

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Tenth session
New York, 16-27 May 2011

Draft report

Rapporteur: Ms. Paimaneh **Hasteh**

Chapter I
Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

A. Draft decisions recommended by the Forum for adoption by the Council

1. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I
Venue and dates of the eleventh session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues [to be completed]

Draft decision II
Provisional agenda for the eleventh session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues [to be completed]

B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

2. The Permanent Forum has identified the proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action set out below and, through the Council, recommends that States, entities of the United Nations system, intergovernmental organizations, indigenous peoples, the private sector and non-governmental organizations assist in their realization.

3. It is the understanding of the Secretariat that the proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action to be carried out by the United Nations, as set out below, will be implemented to the extent that resources from the regular budget and extrabudgetary resources are available.

Please recycle

Recommendations of the Permanent Forum [to be completed]

Chapter II
Venue, dates and proceedings of the session

4. By its decision 2010/249, the Economic and Social Council decided that the tenth session of the Permanent Forum would be held at United Nations Headquarters from 16 to 27 May 2011.

5. At its 2nd to 4th meetings, on 16 and 17 May 2011, the Permanent Forum considered, under agenda item 3, "Follow-up to the recommendations of the Permanent Forum: (a) Economic and social development; (b) Environment; (c) Free, prior and informed consent". For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it the documents entitled "Report of the International Expert Group Meeting on Indigenous Peoples and Forests" (E/C.19/2011/5), "Information from States on addressing the recommendations of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues" (E/C.19/2011/8), "Report of the international technical expert meeting on the theme 'Keeping track: indicators, mechanisms and data for assessing the implementation of indigenous peoples' rights'" (E/C.19/2011/11), "Study on indigenous peoples and corporations to examine existing mechanisms and policies related to corporations and indigenous peoples and to identify good practices" (E/C.19/2011/12) and "Analysis prepared by the secretariat of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues: economic and social development, the environment and free, prior and informed consent" (E/C.19/2011/13). At its 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May 2011, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 3 (see chap. I, sect. B).

6. At its 5th to 7th meetings, on 18 and 19 May, the Forum considered agenda item 4, "Human rights: (a) Implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples; (b) Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and other United Nations human rights mechanisms". For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it the reports entitled "Response to comments made by some Member States on the annex to the report of the Permanent Forum on its eighth session (E/2009/43) at the general segment of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, in July 2009" (E/C.19/2011/2) and "Situation of indigenous peoples in danger of extinction in Colombia" (E/C.19/2011/3). At its 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May 2011, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 4 (see chap. I, sect. B).

7. At its 8th meeting, on 20 May, the Permanent Forum considered item 5, "Half-day discussion on Central and South America and the Caribbean". At its 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 5 (see chap. I, sect. B).

8. At its 9th meeting, on 23 May, the Forum considered agenda item 6, "Comprehensive dialogue with United Nations agencies and funds", during which there was a dialogue with the United Nations Children's Fund. For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it reports submitted by the Fund (E/C.19/2011/7) and the United Nations system and other intergovernmental organizations (E/C.19/2011/9) and the report on the annual meeting of the Inter-Agency Support

Group on Indigenous Peoples' Issues (E/C.19/2011/10). At its 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 6 (see chap. I, sect. B).

9. At its 11th meeting, on 24 May, the Forum considered agenda item 7, "Half-day discussion on the right to water and indigenous peoples". At its 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 7 (see chap. I, sect. B).

10. At its 10th, 12th and 13th meetings, on 23 and 25 May, the Forum considered agenda item 8, "Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues of the Economic and Social Council and emerging issues". For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it reports submitted by the Special Rapporteur entitled "Study on international criminal law and the judicial defence of indigenous peoples' rights" (E/C.19/2011/4) and "Study on the status of implementation of the Chittagong Hill Tracts Accord of 1997" (E/C.19/2011/6). At its 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May, the Forum considered and adopted a draft decision and its recommendations submitted under agenda item 6 (see chap. I, sects. A and B).

11. At its 14th and 15th meetings, on 26 May, the Forum considered agenda item 9, "Draft agenda for the eleventh session of the Permanent Forum". At its 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May, the Forum considered and adopted a draft decision submitted under agenda item 9 (see chap. I, sect. A).

Chapter III
Adoption of the report of the Forum on its tenth session

12. At the 16th and 17th meetings, on 27 May, the Rapporteur introduced the draft decisions and recommendations and the draft report of the Permanent Forum on its tenth session.

13. At its 17th meeting, on 27 May, the Permanent Forum adopted its draft report.

Chapter IV
Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

14. The Permanent Forum held its tenth session at United Nations Headquarters from 16 to 27 May 2011. It held 17 formal meetings and 3 closed meetings to consider the items on its agenda.

15. At the 1st meeting, on 16 May, the session was opened by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs. At the opening ceremony, Tododaho Sid Hill, of the Onondaga Nation, delivered a welcoming address. The Secretary-General made a statement.

16. At the same meeting, statements were made by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, the Chair of the Permanent Forum, the Senior Policy Adviser for Native American Affairs of the White House Domestic Policy

Council of the United States of America, and the Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme.

B. Attendance

17. Members of the Forum and representatives of Governments, intergovernmental organizations and bodies, United Nations entities, and non-governmental and indigenous organizations attended the session. The list of participants is contained in document E/C.19/2011/INF/1.

C. Election of officers

18. At its 1st meeting, on 16 May, the Forum elected the following members of the Bureau by acclamation:

Chair:

Mirna **Cunningham**

Vice-Chairs:

Dalee Sambo **Dorough**
Edward **John**
Eva **Biaudet**
Paul Kanyinke **Sena**

Rapporteur:

Paimaneh **Hasteh**

D. Agenda

19. At its 1st meeting, on 16 May, the Forum adopted the provisional agenda, as orally revised, as contained in document E/C.19/2011/1/Rev.1.

E. Documentation

20. A list of the documents before the Forum at its tenth session is contained in document E/C.19/2011/INF/2.